Establishment of Vishwa Hindi Vidyapeeth

*329. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:

SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the former Prime Minister, late Smt. Indira Gandhi, had announced that a Vishwa Hindi Vidyapeeth would soon be established especially to facilitate the study of Hindi by foreign students;

(b) whether it is also a fact that a Sub-Committee had considered the suggestion of UGC Chairman in August, 1988 that such a Hindi University was not desirable;

(c) whether it is also a fact that in the light of the deliberations of this Sub-Committee, Government have studied the Draft-Bill; and

(d) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) to (d) On the basis of a decision taken in the Meeting of Karya Karini Upa Samiti of Hindi Shiksha Samiti held on 15.9.1983, a Sub-Committee was constituted to examine the proposal for establishment of the Vishwa Hindi Vidyapeeth. At the time of inauguration of the 3rd World Hindi Conference on 28.10.1983, the late Prime Minister Smt. Indira Gandhi, in her inaugural speech, made reference to the constitution of this Sub-Committee.

The views of the University Grants Commission were invited on the proposal. The Chairman, as well as the Commission have not favoured the proposal. The Sub-Committee for the establishment of the Vishwa Hindi Vidyapeeth, having examined the matter again in the light of the views of the University Grants Commission and its Chairman, has urged for the establishment of the Vidyapeeth.

The whole matter is being examined keeping in view the stand on the matter taken by the UGC, its Chairman and the Sub-Committee, the overall resource constraints and the likelihood of protagonists of the other modern Indian Languages making demands for establishment of similar Universities for promotion and development of these languages.

Demands and Grievances of Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers

*330. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA:

DR. BAPU KALDATE:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers' Association had submitted a Memorandum to him in New Delhi some time back;

(b) what are the details of the demands and grievances of Kendriya Vidayalaya teachers contained therein; and

(c) what action has since been taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) to (c) A memorandum dated 21-11-88 was submitted to the Minister of Human Resource Development by All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers' Association. Their main demands were as under:—

(i) Revision of pay-structure and scales as per recommendations of Chattopadhyaya Commission.